



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Reissue Application of:  
**THOMAS J. SHAW**

For Reissue of U.S. Patent 5,810,775  
Issued September 22, 1998  
Serial No. 08/862,849

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**Serial No.:** \_\_\_\_\_

**For CAP OPERATED RETRACTABLE MEDICAL DEVICE**

**Group Art Unit:** \_\_\_\_\_

Examiner:

**ASSENT OF ASSIGNEE FOR REISSUE OF U. S. PATENT 5,810,775**

To: The Honorable Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.172(a), the present assignee and owner of U. S. Patent 5,810,775 hereby gives its approval and consent to the filing of this Reissue Application. It acknowledges that once this Reissue Application is filed, the process of reissue is started and must continue until a conclusion is reached by allowance or abandonment. It is requested that pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.172(b) that a reissue patent be granted to patentee Thomas J. Shaw and his assignee, Retractable Technologies, Inc. The owner acknowledges its duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office “material” patents and printed publications and other material information within the meaning of 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a) and that information is “material” where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the reissue application to be granted as a reissue patent.

The invention disclosed and claimed and the discovery now claimed in the patent to be reissued was a sole invention of Thomas J. Shaw. He originally assigned rights in Serial No. 08/862,849 to Retractable Technologies, Inc. or "Retractable" as recorded in the U.S. Patent Office. See Reel 010395, Frame 0113. Retractable Technologies, Inc. now owns all right, title and interest in U. S. Patent 5,810,775.

The undersigned declares that all statements made herein are true or believed to be true to the best of my knowledge and belief and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize this reissue application or the effect of any reissue patent issuing therefrom.

Date: September 15, 2000

RETRACTABLE TECHNOLOGIES, INC.  
A Texas Corporation

By:   
Thomas J. Shaw, President